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Dear Graeme

THOMAS THE TANK ENGINE & FRIENDS

Forgive the delay in this letter following our telephone discussion the other day when I promised to write to confirm Britt's intention to begin planning as soon as possible for a new series of Thomas the Tank Engine films to be shot at Shepperton in the coming autumn and released in autumn 1998.

We are glad that you can be available once again to act as production manager. At present Britt and David hope to be sufficiently advanced with scripting ideas for an outline pre-production and studio booking schedule to be in place by the end of May. I will ask them to keep you in touch between now and then so that you can get as clear a view as possible of how your own time will be required.

Thank you for reminding me of your earlier initiative in the matter of the Thomas catalogue. I have asked Lisa to look out the earlier correspondence. I agree we should undertake the operation and that the new production creates an ideal context for it. Would you take on the co-ordination? I would be glad to attend an initial meeting here of all concerned to focus both the objective and the available economic means of achieving it.

Yours sincerely

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